

I-405 and Eastside Projects Update

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Heavy congestion expected for northbound I-405 closure in Kirkland

All lanes of northbound I-405 at NE 124th Street will be closed from 10 p.m. Friday, June 2, to 5 a.m. Tuesday, June 6, so that crews can lower the northbound lanes at that location. Northbound traffic will be funneled into a narrow two-lane bypass during the closure. Drivers should expect long backups on northbound I-405 and heavy congestion on adjacent city streets, especially during the Monday afternoon commute north. You can get [real-time traffic information](#) on our Web site.

Crews will remove the pavement on a 920-foot-long section of northbound I-405, lower the northbound lanes about three feet, and place new pavement. Lowering the freeway ensures that all traffic has adequate vertical clearance underneath the NE 124th Street bridge. This work is important especially for semi-trucks and other large vehicles.

The work is weather dependent and could be postponed to another weekend. We'll update our [Web page](#) as details are confirmed. We'll also keep you informed through these e-mail updates and our highway advisory radio station (AM 530 and 1520) in Kirkland.

Memorial Day weekend travel

Next Monday, May 29, we observe Memorial Day. This weekend marks the unofficial start of the summer vacation travel season. A little planning can help make your holiday weekend safe and enjoyable. We encourage you to check out [travel information](#) on our Web site before departing.

Whenever possible, we avoid construction closures around holidays to accommodate travelers. Most crews will stop work by noon on Friday, May 26 and resume on Tuesday morning, May 30. Enjoy your holiday!

More time to submit comments on environmental study for I-405 Renton to Bellevue Project

We've extended the period in which you can submit comments on our Renton to Bellevue project [Environmental Assessment](#) (EA). We'll include all written comments received or postmarked by June 12, 2006, in the formal project record considered by the Federal Highway Administration and WSDOT. Please submit your comments in writing to I-405 Project Environmental Manager Allison Ray at Allison.Ray@i405.wsdot.wa.gov or

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